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M.A.G.I.C. News for Members and Friends

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## MAGIC APRIL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Event Information

### **MAGIC Membership Meeting**

Jazz recording artist and two-term USA Cultural Jazz Ambassador Angela Hagenbach is the founder of the Black Ancestors Awareness Campaign, a Trustee of the Weston Historical Museum, and a fifth-generation descendant of Weston, Missouri's historically Black forebears. She authors *Resilience In The Face Of Adversity*, the first column dedicated to Weston Black Heritage for *Museum Musings*, the Weston Historical Museum quarterly. Hagenbach is a historical fiction novelist and student of ancestral research.

**Noon to 2 PM**

**Vineyard Neighborhood Association**

When?

**Saturday, Apr 6, 2024, 12:00 PM**

Where?

**4301 E 43rd St, Kansas City, MO, USA**

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## March 28 Native American Genealogy Program

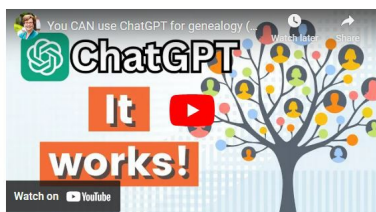
Are there family stories that you have Native American ancestors in your family tree? Learn tips for researching U.S. federal records and other documents that will help you follow a trail to your Indigenous ancestor. This class will be held in person as well as virtually via Zoom simultaneously. Registration is required and closes one hour before the start of the program. Please indicate whether you will be attending in person or virtually when registering. An email address is required when registering to attend on Zoom. All start times are Central Standard

Time. <https://www.mymcpl.org/events/95368/tracing-your-native-american-and-alaska-native-ancestors-hybrid>

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## Five Civilized Tribes Research April 3

<https://www.mymcpl.org/events/95371/native-american-research-five-civilized-tribes-hybrid> Do you have Native American ancestors who lived in Oklahoma? If so, they may have been members of one of the Five Civilized Tribes: Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek, or Seminole. Learn how to research your ancestors using U.S. Census and Dawes Rolls records. This class will be held in person as well as virtually via Zoom simultaneously. Please indicate how you would like to attend when registering. An email address is required when registering to attend on Zoom. All start times are Central Standard Time.



### ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND GENEALOGY

Not long ago the following announcement came across my social media feed:

“Movie mogul Tyler Perry has announced a pause in his plans for an \$800 million expansion of Tyler Perry Studios in **Atlanta**. The decision, attributed to advancements in artificial intelligence (AI), underscores a transformative shift in the filmmaking landscape.”

I immediately recalled a note seen on some hints on my Ancestry DNA account:

The facts in this collection were found using artificial intelligence technology and may contain errors. The facts in this collection were found using a combination of technologies, including machine learning to extract names and details, and Optical Character Recognition (OCR) to create text from images. Please review details carefully, including the original record, to confirm their accuracy.

So, this ‘transformative shift’ has invaded the realm of genealogical research. Check out Amy Johnson Crow’s view on how to use and understand AI.

[Using ChatGPT for Genealogy – Accurately | Amy Johnson Crow](#)

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## Preserving Family Recipes

Learn practical ways to preserve family recipes for future generations from local historian and MAGIC member David W. Jackson. Jackson will share stories of his grandmothers who created the recipes and provide an easy option for making your cherished recipes available to family members.



Lecture repeated several times through April and May. Here is a listing of scheduled days/times/locations:

<https://www.mymcpl.org/events/all-times/Preserving%20Family%20Recipes%20of%20Our%20Past>

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## FREE "Writing Your Family History" Conference April 13

The Missouri State Genealogical Association (MoSGA) are excited to invite you to a "free" conference on "Writing Your Family History" on April 13th from 9 am until noon. This will be held at the Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence, MO.

In addition, they will be holding our well-known MoSGA used book sale until 2 pm that day.

Registration is required for attendees. Please go to their website's Home Page to view the schedule, and easily register online. Did we say "free"? YES! <http://MoSGA.org>

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## Brick Wall Discussion Group April 22

Have you hit a brick wall in your genealogy research? You are not alone. Get together with others to share helpful information, network, and gather inspiration to help continue your genealogy project. This program will be held in person. <https://www.mymcpl.org/events/all-times/Brick%20Wall%20Discussion%20Group>



## Self-Publishing Topic of April Program in Liberty April 27

### [Panel Exploring Self-Publishing](#)

Three self-published authors will be sharing their experiences with self-publishing and give advice on what you can do if you're interested in pursuing self-publication. Authors include: Tee Harlowe, David W. Jackson, and Rachel Newhouse. The panel will be lead by The Story Center Publication Manager. An open Q&A will take place at the end, so make sure to bring your questions! This program is part of The Story Center's annual Publishing Week. Please note this program will take place in the Woodneath Auditorium. It is in-person only. Space is limited and registration is required!

[MAGIC member David W. Jackson, presenting](#)

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# How The Smithsonian is Helping Black Americans Trace Their Roots

## Interesting Plot Twist in the First Story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BJFlgFRcnU&feature=youtu.be&themeRefresh=1>

Thanks Dolores Rush



"Black genealogy takes a little magic." --Preston Washington  
Let MAGIC members and friends help you to connect with information about your ancestors.

[JOIN NOW](#)

## Renew (or Join) MAGIC Today :)

Membership is \$20/year (Jan-Dec). Most of our expenses are clerical maintaining our website, email channel, and this newsletter support system. Pulling off events like Black History Month programming also takes a chunk of our finite budget.

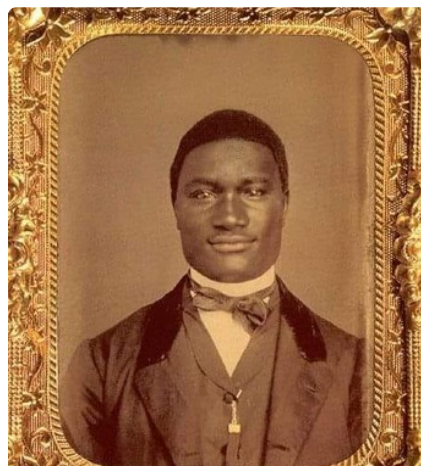
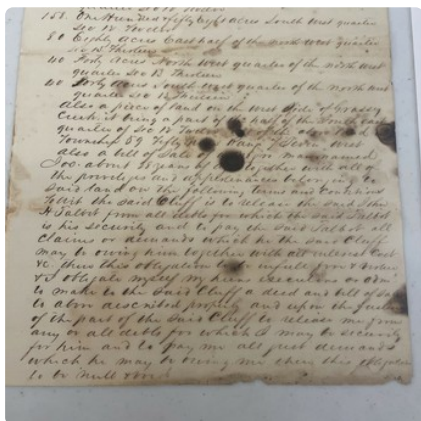
Hopefully you know our volunteer board is frugal in its outlook and expenditures, and we value every membership contribution. We appreciate that you see the worthiness of our mission to join and maintain your membership with MAGIC.

Go to <https://www.magickc.org/membership.html> (choose your option; the first button allows you to make a donation in any amount...all TAX DEDUCTIBLE ;)

## GENEALOGY JOKE

Q: What did one DNA say to the other DNA?

A: Do these genes make me look fat?



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Do you have random family images?

Care to share copies, even anonymously?

## IMAGES

Please send usable scans to [magickc.org@gmail.com](mailto:magickc.org@gmail.com)

## MAGIC Website

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**David Jackson**

David is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

